

# Senate District A

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## Bert Stedman, Republican



**DATE OF BIRTH:** March 6, 1956  
**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Elmendorf AFB, Anchorage  
**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Lureen  
**CHILDREN:** Susan (9)  
**RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** 1907 Dodge Circle  
Sitka, Alaska 99835  
**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**  
Lifelong - 46 years  
Anchorage 1956-57  
Petersburg 1957-69  
Sitka 1969-present

**OCCUPATION:** Financial Services

**EDUCATION:** Sitka High School, Graduate (1974); Lane Community College, Oregon, part-time (1978-82); University of Oregon, B.S. Business Administration w/Finance concentration (1985); post graduate Finance and Economics course work.

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:** Alaska State Senate, 2003-present; Chair, Community & Regional Affairs; Member, State Affairs, Joint Salmon Industry Task Force; Southeast Caucus, Western States Forestry Task Force; Sitka City & Borough, Planning Commission, 1987-95, Assemblyman, 1995-99; Deputy Mayor, 1996-97; Chair, Sitka Permanent Fund Committee, 2000-2001; Sitka Investment Committee, 2003-Pres.

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:** Owner/Operator Pioneer Capital Management, 1986-present; Member, Sitka and Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce.

### **SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:**

NRA; Elks Lodge; Masonic Lodge; Shrine Club; Scottish Rite; Sons of Norway; International Ammunition Collectors Assoc.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Woodworking/furniture building, Boating/camping, Hunting/fishing, Family outings

### **STATEMENT:**

It's been my unique privilege to serve as your State Senator for the past 12 months. I'm asking for your continued support because now more than ever, we need a strong disciplined voice in Juneau.

My single biggest priority is to improve the State's fiscal position. Alaska spends more than it earns. We must hold the line on budgets, cut wasteful spending and improve the efficiency of all government services. We need to generate more revenue by expanding current businesses, attracting new ones and by responsibly developing Alaska's natural resources. I've worked hard to improve Alaskan's business climate, defend our commercial fisheries, stabilize our timber industries and grow our visitor industry.

We must continue to protect the Permanent Fund for future generations of Alaskans. I support a POMV approach to managing the Fund and will consider using a portion of earnings for essential state and municipal services with a vote of the people. I continue to oppose income and sales taxes. Taxes will suppress communities that are already struggling with economic hardships.

Funding education and improving our ferries, harbors, and roads are among my priorities and I consider all are essential to Southeast's future.

My great-grandparents came to Alaska in 1902. I consider it my responsibility to secure for future generations of Alaskans the same promise and opportunity those pioneering members of my family shared. I respectfully ask for your vote and for the chance to continue fighting for you in Juneau. Together we can build a better future for Alaska.

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